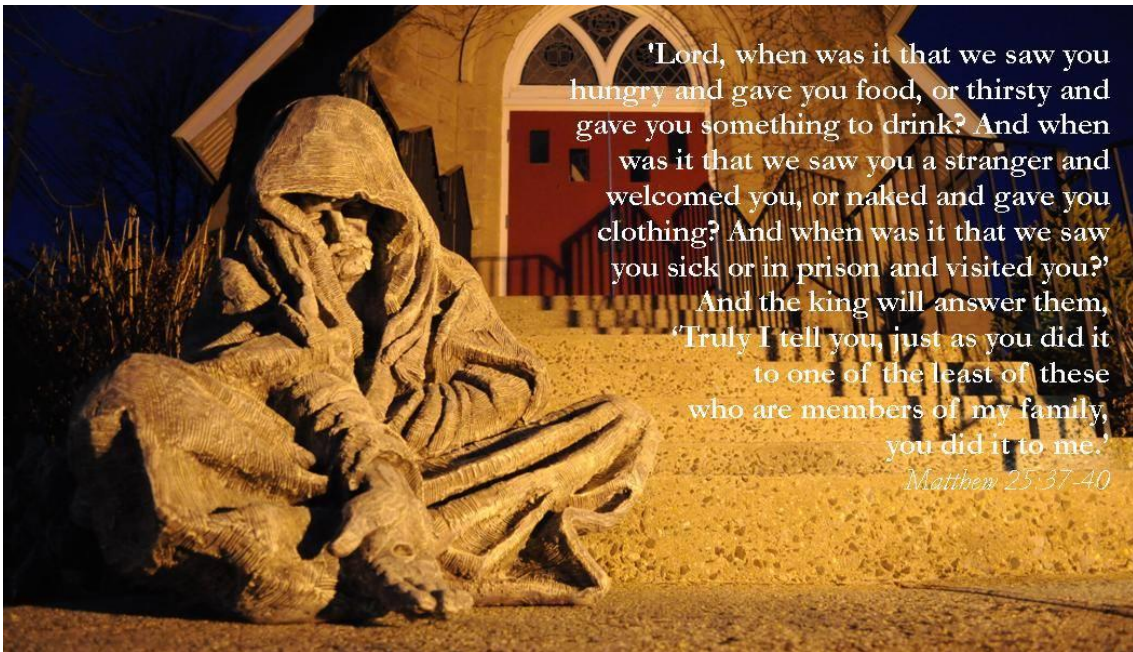




Saint Matthew's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Morning Prayer: Rite Two
The Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King
November 22, 2020
10:00 am

*The People are invited to read the words in **bold**. While we're online, these words will be led by someone on screen so that you can read and pray with them. No matter where you are, joining in this worship service is a form of prayer that connects you to God and to each other. Find a comfortable place to sit. Kneel or stand for the prayers if you'd like. Whenever two or three are gathered, even virtually, Jesus is present among us.*

+ THE WORD OF GOD +

Prelude

Andante Tranquillo

Peter Warlock (1894 - 1930)

Opening Hymn

Duke Street

The Cantor sings verses 1, 2 & 3. The People are invited to sing at home.

1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun doth his suc -
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - oners
 5 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar

1 ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
 2 thron'g to crown his head; his Name like sweet per -
 3 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
 4 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
 5 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with

1 shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 2 fume shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 3 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his Name.
 4 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
 5 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: *Duke Street*, John Hatton (d. 1793)

The Officiant begins

God is Spirit, and those who worship must worship in spirit and in truth.

John 4:24

Confession of Sin

The Officiant says

Let us confess our sins to God.

The Officiant and People say together

God of all mercy,

**we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing
your will in our lives.**

**We have denied your goodness in each other, in
ourselves, and in the world you have created.**

**We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and
the evil done on our behalf.**

**Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that
we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

The Deacon says

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord
Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy
Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant
O Lord, o - pen thou our lips.

People
And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Officiant and People
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men.

Officiant

Let the peoples praise you, O God:

People

Let all the peoples praise you.

O God, be merciful to us and bless us, * show us the light of your countenance and come to us. Let your ways be known upon earth, * your saving health among all nations. Let the peoples praise you, O God; * let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, * for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth. Let the peoples praise you, O God; * let all the peoples praise you.

Officiant

Let the peoples praise you, O God:

People

Let all the peoples praise you.

Psalm 100

Sung by the Cantor

¹ Be joyful in the LORD, all you / lands; *
serve the LORD with gladness
and come before his presence / with a song.

² Know this: The LORD himself is / God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep / of his pasture.

³ Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with / praise; *
give thanks to him and call u-/pon his Name.

⁴ For the LORD is good;
his mercy is ever-/ lasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from / age to age.

The First Lesson

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

Ave Verum Corpus

W. A. Mozart (1756 - 1791)

*Ave verum corpus, natum
de Maria Virgine,
vere passum, immolatum
in cruce pro homine
cuius latus perforatum
fluxit aqua et sanguine:
esto nobis praegustatum
in mortis examine.*

*O Iesu dulcis, O Iesu pie,
O Iesu, fili Mariae.
Miserere mei. Amen.*

*Hail, true Body, born
of the Virgin Mary,
having truly suffered, sacrificed
on the cross for mankind,
from whose pierced side
water and blood flowed:
Be for us a foretaste
in the trial of death!*

*O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus,
O Jesus, son of Mary,
have mercy on me. Amen.*

The Second Lesson

Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Lector

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People

Thanks be to God.

The Cantor sings the verses.

**I will take you from among all nations; *
and gather you from all lands to bring you home.**

**I will sprinkle clean water upon you; *
and purify you from false gods and uncleanness.**

**A new heart I will give you *
and a new spirit put within you.**

**I will take the stone heart from your chest *
and give you a heart of flesh.**

**I will help you walk in my laws *
and cherish my commandments and do them.**

**You shall be my people, *
and I will be your God.**

The Third Lesson

Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of

the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’ Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Deacon Don Burr

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

*Do not neglect to do good
and to share what you have*



for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.
Hebrews 13:14, 15

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The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People say together

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator
of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under
Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was
buried. He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again. He ascended into
heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the
resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting
Amen.**

The Prayers

Officiant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People say together

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive
those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

V. Help us, O God our Savior;

R. **Deliver us and forgive us our sins.**

V. Look upon your congregation;

R. **Give to your people the blessing of peace.**

V. Declare your glory among the nations;

R. **And your wonders among all peoples.**

V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;

R. **Never forget the lives of your poor.**

V. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;

R. **And your favor to those who are true of heart.**

V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;

R. **So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**

The Officiant offers a series of prayers, the People respond with the words in bold.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

We pray for all who are sick and in need of our prayers, especially Christian, Rich, Nancy, Ken, Barrie, Dawn, Donnie, James, Jeff, Aaron, Michael, Katie, Petra, Doris, Laine, Darunee, Patricia, Frank, Richard, Mary Lou, Charles, Gene, Kathy, Bob, and those we now name _____.

We pray for all those we love and see no longer, [especially _____]. We commend to your mercy all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, especially Robert Graham Griffin and Ann Newson Griffin, in whose memory the altar flowers are given, and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

God of all power and love, we give thanks for your unfailing presence and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss. Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire. Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world: a people who pray, worship, learn, break bread, share life, heal neighbors, bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit. Wherever and however we gather, unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission, that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gracious and loving God, our only help in time of need: We humbly ask you to behold your people, to relieve and comfort those around the world who are suffering from coronavirus. Look upon them with the eyes of your mercy, comfort them with a sense of your goodness, preserve them from the temptations of the enemy, and give them peace in their affliction. In your good time, restore them to health, and enable them to lead the rest of their lives in your favor and to your glory; and grant that they may dwell with you in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The People are invited to offer prayers of Thanksgiving or Intercession either silently or aloud.

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People say together

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us
and to all whom you have made. We bless you for
our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of
this life; but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for
the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.**

**And we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly
thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips
but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Coe Fen

The Cantor sings the verse. The People are invited to sing at home.

How shall I sing that Majesty.
Which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
Sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand around
Thy throne, O God most high;
Ten thousand times ten thousand sound
Thy praise; but who am I?

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Postlude

Trumpet Voluntary

John Bennett (1735-1784)

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Pam Ely, Andrea Sato, Beth Baker, Sharon Pearson,
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Scott Ellaway
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Flowers

The flowers are given in loving memory of Robert Graham Griffin and Ann Newsom Griffin by Char Griffin.

Prayer Requests *Specific prayer requests will be kept on the prayer list for six weeks. Please call or email the office if you have additions or deletions to the prayer list. **You are encouraged to offer your own prayers silently or aloud as indicated in the Prayers of the People.***

Today and through the week, we remember all those who have been commended to our prayers. For those who are sick or in need: *Christian, Rich, Nancy, Ken, Barrie, Dawn, Donnie, James, Jeff, Aaron, Michael, Katie, Petra, Doris, Laine, Darunee, Patricia, Frank, Gene, Richard Douthitt, Mary Lou Mannix, Charles Kennedy.* For those serving in the military, *Jake Walker and Matthew Comeau.*

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Paul's, Woodbury; St. John the Evangelist, Yalesville; Grace Church, Yantic. The health and well-being of persons employed by The Episcopal Church; the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies of The Episcopal Church.



Thanksgiving morning please join us online for a brief service of Morning Prayer at 8:00am. Together, we'll give thanks for all that we're grateful for, for the many blessings of this life, and for all that God has given us.

Meet the RenewalWorks Team:

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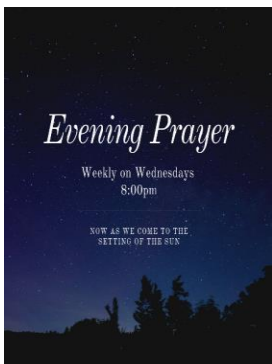
Samantha Trolice,

Director of Children, Youth, & Family Ministries

If you have questions about this process or thoughts to contribute after taking the Spiritual Life Inventory, please be in touch with Pam or Marissa. You can also check in with these team members who are giving their time and their gifts to this process as we chart a course forward.

Join Us For Coffee Hour – Sundays at 9am

This fall, coffee hour returns in a slightly different form! Join us on Sunday mornings at 9am. Gather with other parishioners for an hour before virtual worship at 10am. Bring your coffee or tea and spend some time connecting with all those faces you miss! To begin, Coffee Hour will be hosted each week by our Vestry members and Officers. As we move further into the year, there will be opportunities for others to host as well. As always, Zoom information will be shared in our e-News and will be posted in our Parishioner Facebook Group. We can't wait to see you!



Evening Prayer at St. Matthew's – All Are Invited

Set aside your Wednesday evenings as a family (or after the kids go to bed) to join St. Matthew's for online Evening Prayer to end the day. Offered via Zoom, this short (15-20 minute) service will help you settle down after a long day, giving thanks for what has been done and what has been left undone. Starting at 8:00pm led by members of St. Matt's, we will begin by greeting one another then move into prayer with the opportunity for anyone to contribute or ask for prayers during the service. A link will be provided each week in our eNews and our Parishioner Facebook Group.



Link shared in e-news and our Parishioner Facebook Group

Join us in a Zoom room for Sung Compline - Tuesday nights at 9pm

This fall, we're going to try something new for Compline! One of the pieces we miss most about worshipping together is actually **being together**. So for the first part of the fall, we're going to try gathering in a Zoom room for Compline. This will allow us to see each other as we worship and it will allow us to connect for a few minutes afterwards, to talk to each other, to engage together on a

deeper level - and we hope you'll try it with us!

Children & Youth Programming

Sunday November 22:

- 9:00am - Church School K-5 on Zoom - Thanksgiving Edition, watching a video together
- Time TBD - 6-8th Grade Meeting - Weather Permitting outdoors or on Zoom.



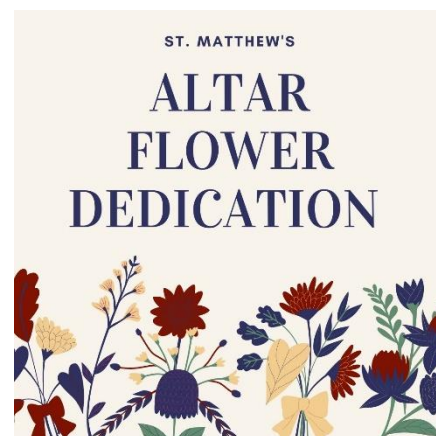
Sunday December 06:

- Save-The-Date for Joint Youth Zoom Christmas Parties. Times for each grade TBD

Altar Flower Dedications Are Back

You can now celebrate or memorialize your loved ones with flower dedications. Let us know the date you would like and any colors or flowers you want (we will do our best) and the Flower Guild will make a beautiful vase arrangement and delivery to your home (local addresses only please). We will announce the dedication in church and on our social media. A \$75 donation is suggested.

Please email Jennifer Angerame theangerames@gmail.com with your questions and requests.



Weekly Calendar – November 22 – November 29

Sunday, November 22 9:00am 10:00am	The Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King Coffee Hour (Zoom) Morning Prayer: Rite 2 (Livestream)
Monday, November 23 7:00pm	Education for Ministry (Zoom)
Tuesday, November 24 11:00am 7:00pm 9:00pm	Staff Meeting (Zoom) Pub Theology (Zoom) Compline (Zoom & Livestream)
Wednesday November 25 8:00pm	Evening Prayer (Zoom)
Thursday, November 26 8:00am	Thanksgiving Day Morning Prayer (Zoom)
Sunday, November 29 9:00am 10:00am	The First Sunday of Advent Coffee Hour (Zoom) Holy Eucharist -Rite 2 (Livestream)

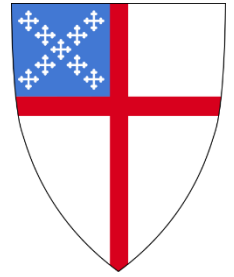
Connection details available on our website, in the e-news, and in our Parishioner Facebook group. Need to sign up for the e-news? It's easy – just go to www.stmatthewswilton.org/newsletter.

Need to join the Parishioner Facebook Group? Go here: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/StMatthewsOnline/>

Need something else? Send Marissa a note or be in touch with another member of the staff.

Next Week: Worship online again with St. Matthew's

There are many ways to connect with St. Matt's in the coming weeks. Please keep an eye on our website and social media as well as our e-news. There you'll find information and opportunities to connect for friends and members of all ages.



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